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Section 217 of the Social Security Act provides that a veteran may receive free credit for social security purposes for active military service for the period from September 16, 1940 through July 24, 1947, WWII service; and from July 25, 1947 through December 31, 1956, post WWII service, provided:

He was discharged or released from active service under conditions other than dishonorable, either

- a. after active service of 90 days or more or
- b. after less than 90 days by reason of a disability or injury incurred or aggravated in service in line of duty.

If a veteran meets the above condition, he may receive wage credits at the rate of \$160.00 a month provided no Federal agency, other than the Veterans Administration, uses the same service in either period in determining that a periodic benefit is payable. However, if an individual had covered military service after 1956, he may receive credit for any service after 1950 and before 1957 even though he receives a payment based in whole or in part from the following agencies: Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, or Public Health Service.

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A short period of active duty for training purposes limited to less than 90 days is not considered active service within the meaning of Sections 217(a) and (e) of the Social Security Act, and wage credits may not be granted.

Sincerely yours

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